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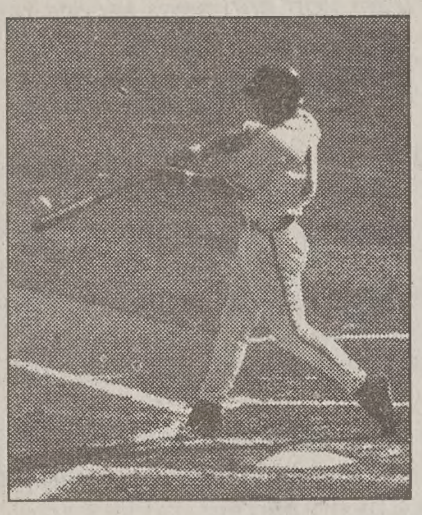

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— *Associated Press*

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— *Associated Press*

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Israelis strike back at Syrians

3 Syrians killed, 6 injured in Israeli airstrike

Associated Press

DAHR AL-BAIDAR, Lebanon — Striking deep into Lebanon to retaliate for guerrilla attacks, Israel launched an airstrike against a strategic Syrian radar station in the central mountains Monday — the first time Israel had targeted such a significant Syrian outpost in almost two decades.

Three Syrian soldiers died and six were wounded, a Lebanese security officer said.

Syrian security forces sealed off the area in the barren mountains just north of a highway linking Beirut with Damascus, Syria's capital.

The airstrike was in response to Hezbollah guerrilla attacks in recent months, an Israeli army spokesman said. The most recent was a cross-border attack on Saturday that killed an Israeli soldier near the Chebaa Farms area, where the borders of Lebanon, Syria and Israel meet.

Israel has repeatedly accused Lebanon and Syria, the main power broker in Beirut, of

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AFP Photo

A Lebanese anti-aircraft gun takes up a position in Beirut, Monday, after Israel pounded a Syrian radar station at Dahr al-Baydar, killing three Syrian soldiers and wounding six. The raid came in retaliation for the killing of an Israeli soldier in a missile attack by the Lebanese Shiite Hezbollah militia. BYU students in Syria are safe, according to program directors.

BYU students safe, not target of violence

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In response to recent Hezbollah guerrilla violence in the Golan Heights, Israel launched an air strike against a strategic Syrian radar tower. The airstrike against Syria is the first time in almost two decades that Israel has targeted such an important station.

BYU students enrolled in the intensive Arabic program in Damascus, Syria, are fine said program director Kirk Belnap.

"Every time something like this happens, there tends to be demonstrations." Students in Damascus are safe and have been advised to be cautious and use good judgment, Belnap said.

"Syrians are frustrated with the U.S. government," he said, "not the citizens." Frustration stems from America's continued support of Israel. In spite of their frustration with the U.S. government, the Syrian people treat BYU students and Americans with respect, Belnap said.

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Y students complain about early ousting

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Students at Brentwood Park Apartments in Provo found notices taped to their doors Saturday reminding them to vacate April 21st — the first day of BYU finals.

Of the 155 students residing at the complex, 80 percent attend BYU, the majority of whom signed contracts agreeing to the move-out date.

The notice indicated checkout procedures and times, as well as fees for students staying extra days. But Sean Squire, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Stockton, Calif., who noticed the term date on this year's contract matched last year's date, said Brentwood's manager had not verified information contained in the rental agreement.

After complaints from students, as well as the encouragement of BYU off-campus housing, Brentwood management amended contract terms and extended the checkout date to April 24, one day before the last day of finals.

But because contract terms do not stretch to the length of BYU's schedule, tenants at the complex said management has acted irresponsibly and unprofessionally.

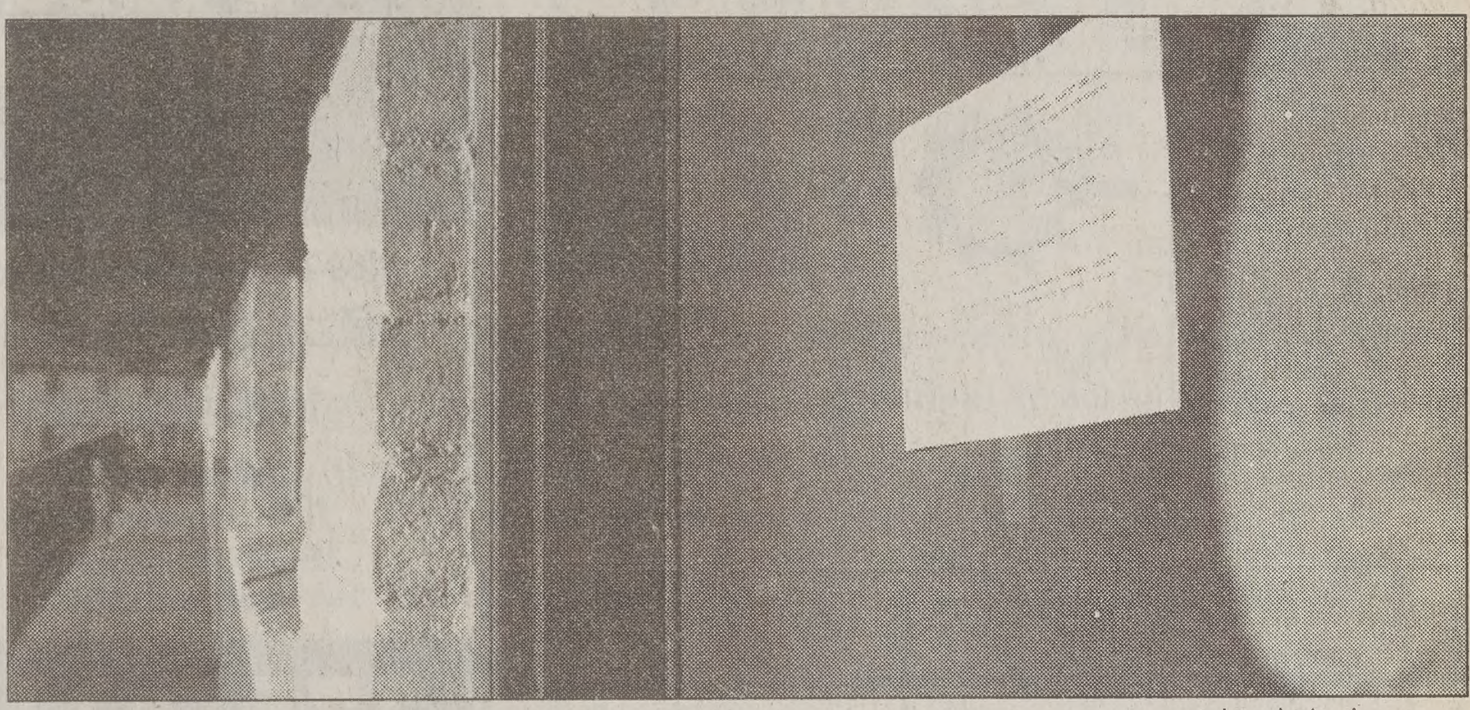
William Thompson, an official in the Off-Campus Housing Office, said his office sends out a bulletin every three months to apartment management, but also said many managers do not pay attention to the mailing. The bulletins outline semester schedules for the current and subsequent year, and suggests times when renters should start and end the contract period.

"When I signed, I assumed the contract would go all the way through finals," said Ariana Lobo, a junior in horticulture management from Portland, Ore. "I planned out last month when I would take my finals, but now this has really thrown a wrench in things."

Brentwood management said they intentionally chose the 21st for students to vacate in order to accommodate the surge of students moving in and out of the complex as semesters change.

Apartment complex management said they hope to plan in better accordance with both BYU and UVSC's schedules for next year.

Lobo said she has enjoyed her experience at Brentwood and even appreciates the improvements the new management has made at the complex, so much



Irinna Schwenke/Daily Universe

Tenants at Brentwood Park apartments found notices taped to their doors Saturday telling them to vacate their apartments by April 21st. Though management pushed the date back to April 24th, some occupants are still frustrated with the arrangement.

that she has signed for another year. But Lobo, and other students who still face a conflicting finals schedule with a binding housing contract, said the improvement by management does not alleviate the main problem.

Henry Patterson, a junior in vocal performance from Castro Valley, Calif. said the notice to leave on the 21st bothered him, but he said that students are responsible to read the fine print.

"Students don't read their contracts until there's a problem," said Thompson. "We have situations like this every year, but if students would be more careful and point out that they needed more time for finals when they signed contracts, they could resolve problems before they became a problem."

A Brentwood representative said she wants BYU to step in and standardize dates that they contract out to students.

But Christina Henley, manager at King Henry Apartments in Provo, disagrees.

Like many of the apartment buildings in surrounding areas, Henley said they have to accommodate both BYU and UVSC students.

Y professor creates man-made gems

Dr. Hall crafted diamonds in New York

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Tracy Hall was sitting in an isolated General Electric Laboratory in Schenectady, New York, on Dec. 16, 1954, when he made a discovery that revolutionized the diamond world, he said.

He had created the first man-made diamond.

"We weren't making cubic zirconium," he said. "We were making diamonds."

Hall's description of the events of that historic day is engraved on a statue depicting the discovery.

"My hands began to tremble. My heart beat rapidly. My knees weakened and no longer gave support. My eyes hit a clap of flashing light from dozens of tiny, triangular faces, and I knew that diamonds had finally been made by man," he said.

The successful experiment led to exciting times for the Hall family.

"Scientists from around the world came to our home, and some would pull me aside and say, 'Do you know your dad's a genius?'" said Sherlene Bartholomew, one of Hall's daughters.

The excitement died, however, when General Electric took the credit for the discovery and spread it around throughout the department instead of recognizing Hall as the creator, Hall said.

Hall said he did not approve of the way his employers handled the situation, and he decided to leave the company.

"I think he dreamed of doing something significant, and it really broke his heart the way the whole thing turned out," Bartholomew said.

Hall did not go without work for long, however.

The administration at BYU was so impressed with Hall that they offered him a position as a chemistry professor and gave him the choice of being either the dean of the school or the director of the research department.

"I came to BYU as a full professor," Hall said. "I didn't have to go through the ranks."

He continued to conduct research during his 26 years at BYU and developed two more diamond presses that outstripped any other diamond press of the time, he said.

Hall, now retired, is still involved at BYU. He is taking English 220, Writing Personal History, from Professor Don Norton.

"The man is absolutely brilliant," Norton said. "He can recall exact details from his earliest years."

Norton has an added interest in his student because he will be writing Hall's biography.

"The family has requested we do a complete life story on him," Norton said.

"I will be focusing more on his personal life because his scientific work is already well documented."

Although his discovery in 1954 revolutionized the diamond industry, his most significant contributions were made in his own home, Bartholomew said.

"We want to remember him as the wonderful father he is and want anybody else who might read the book to appreciate the same," she said.

His family is the most important aspect of his life, and he is proud of his children, but Hall said that the day he created diamonds will remain one of the most exciting of his life.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

New York Times Co. losing money

NEW YORK — The New York Times Co. reported a steep decline in first quarter earnings Monday and lowered its profit outlook for the rest of the year, citing an advertising slowdown and higher newsprint costs.

The company reported earnings of 36 cents per share from continuing operations, a penny per share below the expectations of industry analysts surveyed by Thomson Financial/First Call, a financial research service. The company had lowered its forecast for first quarter earnings in early March.

In the first quarter a year ago, per-share earnings were 46 cents as a surge in promotional spending from Internet and technology companies lifted newspaper advertising revenues by 15 percent.

Net income for the period declined 26 percent to $61.3 million from $83.1 million, and revenues fell 5 percent to $778.2 million from $821.8 million. Excluding the sale of a magazine group, seven regional papers and other divested businesses, advertising revenues fell 6.7 percent to $544.3 million.

Shares in The New York Times Co. were off $2.84 to $38.50 in midday trading Monday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Tax Day giveaway awards $10 million

NEW YORK — A securities trader from Atlanta won $10 million Monday in iWon.com's second annual online sweepstakes.

"Now I can find extra time to golf and maybe even improve my handicap!" said Stephen Fowler, who works for United Parcel Service.

The Web portal company periodically gives away prize money to people who visit its site.

The three finalists for the $10 million Tax Day giveaway were assembled at the main post office in New York City, where they drew for the grand prize. The two other finalists won trips to Hawaii and the Caribbean.

Fowler said he will not quit his job managing UPS investments.

"I honestly love what I do and will not stop just because I won the money," he said.

Cincinnati curfew lifted as riots cease

CINCINNATI — A citywide curfew that helped end rioting over the police shooting of an unarmed black man was lifted Monday, and the mayor promised reforms, saying: "We have an opportunity for a new Cincinnati."

"The curfew will not exist as of today," Mayor Charles Luken said at a news conference at City Hall.

Luken said the state of emergency declared Thursday would remain in place as a precaution.

The curfew — from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. — began Thursday to stop three nights of arsons, store looting, beatings of white motorists and clashes with police in Cincinnati's black neighborhoods. Windows also were broken in some corporate offices in the downtown business district.

Dropping the curfew paves the way for Tuesday's Cincinnati Reds home night game to go on as scheduled. The curfew had been cut back to 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. on Sunday night. The Democratic mayor said he wanted to give families more time to celebrate Easter without violating curfew.

Correction

An article about online courses on page 6 of Monday's Daily Universe contained incorrect information. The article, with the headline "Online courses offer variety to students," included a quote attributed to Scott Howell, director of the Center for Instructional Design. The quote should have said that CID is woking with faculty and universtiy evaluators to learn whether "hybrid" online courses — faculty and online materials working closely together — "can improve student learning, can demonstrate efficiencies and extend the reach to more students." Also, there are more than 300, not 4,097, independent study courses at the university level offered through BYU. The Daily Universe regrets the errors.

Weather

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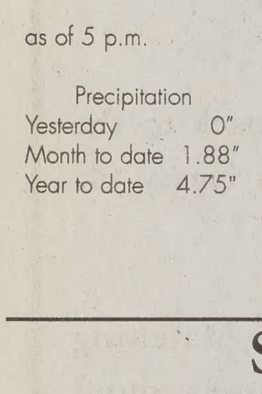
sources: BYU Geography Dept., CNN

Scripture of the Day



"O my son, do not let us be slothful because of the easiness of the way; for so was it with our fathers; for so was it prepared for them, that if they would look they might live; even so it is with us. The way is prepared, and if we will look we may live forever."

— Alma 37:46

Natalie Smith, 20, an elementary education major from Mt. Airy, Md., likes this scripture because "Christ really did prepare the way for us — all we have to do is look to Him."

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Locks of Love helps children

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Long-haired people with big hearts are being asked to donate their ponytails to the Locks of Love hair drive.

Salons throughout Utah County are offering free haircuts to those who donate their hair between today and Saturday.

Locks of Love is a non-profit organization that collects donated hair to make wigs for children, ages six to 18, who have long-term hair loss. The hair loss can be from disorders, such as alopecia areata, or from medical treatments or accidents.

Krystal Reed, a committee head for the drive, said that the salon owners were very excited to participate in the drive.

"I just tracked them down and asked them to help, and all twelve were really excited to help," Reed said.

Reed got involved with Locks of Love after her friend saw an Oprah Winfrey episode about the organization. Her friend was so touched by the organization that she called Reed and told her she had to donate her hair.

Reed had been growing out her hair for 10 years, but thought it was a good cause so she cut and donated 13 inches of her hair.

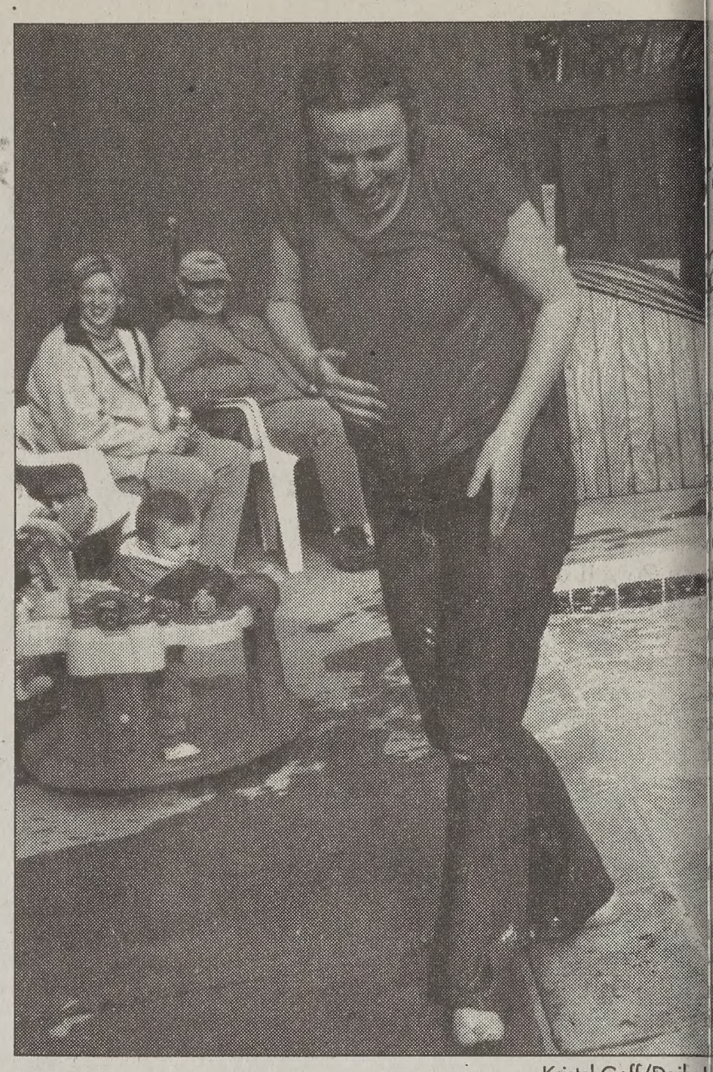
The minimum length of hair that can be used for the wigs is 10 inches, and all colors and textures are welcome, Reed said.

It takes about 10 to 12 ponytails to make one wig, she said.

To make the wigs, a cast of the child's head is created so that the wigs can be exactly fitted. The wigs are vacuum fitted to the child's head, so that they are very secure and can be worn during sports, showers and all the everyday activities that children do, she said.

Benjamin Troy, the manager of The Under Cut in Provo, has been offering free haircuts for donors since the event last May.

For more information about which salons are offering free haircuts, call Krystal Reed at 434-4510. For more information about Locks of Love, call 1-888-896-1588, or go to www.locksoflove.org.



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Oertel Sparks gets out of the outdoor pool at Foxwood apartments on Friday. Anyone who braved the cold wa the 57-degree weather received a free T-shirt.

Living organ donations increas

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The number of living organ donors climbed by more than 16 percent last year, the largest one-year increase ever, with more than 5,500 people giving away a kidney or a piece of their liver.

Donations from the dead edged up by less than three percent in 2000, continuing the slow pace of recent years, the Department of Health and Human Services said Monday.

The data come a day before HHS Secretary Tommy Thompson unveils a major donation initiative, including introduction of a national donor card and new effort with businesses and unions to promote donation. Among participants in the campaign, called "Workplace Partnership for Life," are Fox News, General Motors, the United Auto Workers and Verizon Communications.

"We're encouraged by the progress that has been made in the last year, but there's still a very long way to go," said Thompson, who has regularly talked to audiences about the need for organ donation since taking office.

His initiative comes after several years of debate over how to distribute scarce organs for transplant but relatively little focus nationally on how to increase the total number of donors.

Until now, most of the effort has been channeled into media campaigns and toward requiring hospitals to report deaths to their local organ banks so transplant professionals can identify potential donors and approach their families about donation.

In 2000, a total of 22,827 organ transplants were performed, an increase of 5.4 percent over 1999, according to data compiled b United Network for Sharing, which runs the na transplant system.

The increases were much dramatic among living do who now make up nearly h all organ donors.

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there's even an officer on overtime doing e-driving enforcement, ere two miles away," rson Marshall said at the accident scene. Three s were on the scene in minutes.

"We'll (each) stop 25 cars in an eight-hour shift," Marshall said.

The state is doing what it can afford and is gradually making the road safer, but drivers share the responsibility, said UDOT spokeswoman Lynette Phillips.

That is little comfort to Price residents, who say practically everyone in town has lost a friend or relative on the highway, some of them cruising along in their own lane just like Turner. Many residents drive it daily or weekly for work and shopping. Their children travel it in school buses to attend field trips or sports events.

"Every time, they say it's the motorists, it's not the road," said Kathy Justice of Price, who has spearheaded an effort to get funding for four lanes and has gathered more than 10,000 petition signatures.

"Well, of course it's the motorists. People make mistakes. But the density of traffic is so high and the road is so bad that there's no room for error," she said.

Rep. Brad King, D-Price, took up Justice's cause in the 2000 Legislature and created an advisory committee.

"The thing that's helped the most is the increased enforcement in the canyon," King said. "I drive the canyon at least weekly and sometimes daily. There have been times you've seen (a trooper) every other week. Now you see them every day."

King, who would like to see a gradual widening to four lanes, gives "carnage reports" at each legislative transportation committee meeting, and says most of his colleagues have toured the highway and elevated it on their list of priorities.

> **"People just get in too big a hurry. They can't wait for the passing lanes."**
>
> —Robert Welch, helper firefighter

Planes to carry life-saving devices

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U.S. airlines will now be required to carry emergency devices to help airline passengers in cardiac arrest.

The Federal Aviation Administration is giving airlines three years to put defibrillators on all domestic and international flights.

According to the FAA, automated external defibrillators use electric shocks to try to get the heart to resume beating normally, are the size of a toaster and weigh about four pounds, and.

The rule, which responds to the Aviation Medical Assistance Act of 1998, affects airplanes that weigh more than 7,500 pounds each and have at least one flight attendant.

Alison Duquette, spokesperson for the FAA said flight attendants would be taught how to use the devices to get a stricken passenger's heart beating normally.

"The availability of a defibrillator is a life-and-death matter for someone suffering cardiac arrest," said Richard Hamburg, director of government relations for the American Heart Association. "If you're up in a plane, and you don't have a medical kit that has a defibrillator, and you don't have personnel trained, that's almost a death sentence."

The new FAA rules also require airline medical kits, which now contain drugs for patients in insulin shock or suffering from allergic reactions, to contain antihistamine, aspirin and inhalers.

The total estimated cost to the airline industry over 10 years for equipment, medications and initial and recurrent crew training is $16 million, according to the FAA.

"Nine airlines either currently carry AEDs and enhanced kits or have made a commitment to do so," said FAA Administrator Jane F. Garvey. "Our rule will ensure that all airline passengers have access to this potentially life-saving device."

According to the American Medical Association, an estimated 350,000 Americans are struck by cardiac arrest each year.

Chances of survival can be as high as 90 percent if defibrillation is provided during the first minutes following collapse, according to the AMA.

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Standardized tests cut into class time

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Volunteer Carol Danner was leading a discussion of Dr. Seuss' "Oh the Places You'll Go" with her son's fifth-grade class when the teacher interrupted her. She needed time to prepare the students for a city-wide standardized test.

Across the nation, teachers are being asked to set aside time in the school day for test preparation. Increasingly, they are being evaluated on how well their students perform on these exams.

Many teachers and a few researchers say the push to evaluate students' reading, writing and math skills is taking classroom time from other subjects. The situation is more severe in low-income areas where schools and principals now often face a greater risk of losing autonomy and funding if their students' academic performance doesn't improve.

Darrell Rud, principal of Garfield Elementary School in Billings, Mont., said testing and test preparation at his school last month virtually brought all other student activities to a halt.

"You have to pick what's important," he said, since test results have a bearing on school funding and ranking.

In Aurora, Colo., science teacher Anne Tweed said her marine biology and environmental science classes were interrupted by five days of exams in math and reading.

She acknowledges the importance of teaching and assessing basic skills, but wishes the tests didn't cut into class time. "We lost that many days that would have been science instruction," she said.

According to the Education Commission of the States, all states now require students to take math and reading tests in at least two grades, and 38 states reward or sanction schools and school districts on the basis of student performance. Sanctions vary widely, from a written warning to a complete takeover of failing schools.

President Bush wants to continue the trend, proposing to take away some federal funds from schools that serve poor children if student performance on standardized tests doesn't improve after three years of extra federal help.

According to the National Association of State Boards of Education, the states spend $423 million a year on testing. Recent polling suggests that Americans think it's money well spent.

A Harris Poll last month said 87 percent of Americans favor testing students annually in grades three through 8 in reading and math while 78 percent favor making principals and teachers more accountable for how well or badly students do on tests.

The poll said 59 percent do not support punishing unsuccessful schools by taking away federal funds.

Danner, a high school guidance counselor in Virginia Beach, Va., said the students in her son's class were eager to talk about careers and what they wanted to do when they grew up. They were also hungry to learn what high school is like and happy to brag about which colleges they planned to attend.

The teacher halted the discussion, though, so the children could practice reading before lunch, in preparation for an upcoming citywide assessment.

Parents at Scarsdale Middle School, in prosperous Westchester County, N.Y., are leading a revolt against the state's standardized tests, given in five subjects. Melanie Spivak, the school's PTA president, said the parents of more than one-third of the school's 297 eighth-graders will keep their children out of school during testing next month.

Spivak said the school's high-quality curriculum is being gutted in favor of test preparation. For example, she said, a two-week unit on World War II was reduced to a two-day lesson, while a month long unit on hurricanes has been eliminated altogether.

"We don't feel that that is real, quality education — for anybody," Spivak said.

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Watching McVeigh die

Closure. The convenient buzzword that often means the opposite of what it is supposed to mean — moving on.

If closure means putting away the past and stepping ahead, it is a healthy and important thing. However, closure too often is associated with revenge. A wallowing in the past. A final vengeful act to correct justice. This type of closure only perpetuates hate and inflames old wounds.

This is the kind of closure the families of Timothy McVeigh's victims want.

McVeigh is slated for execution next month, and more than 250 survivors and victims' families want to watch the execution.

April 19 will mark the sixth anniversary of the bombing at the Federal Building in Oklahoma City. For the last six years, families and friends of the 168 people killed have struggled to deal with their loss. Now, this group will be able to view McVeigh's execution on May 16.

McVeigh had a trial, and a court of law decided that his execution would serve the interests of justice. However, the request of his victim's family and friends to view McVeigh's demise is for a different reason. Revenge, which goes a lot further than justice.

Tom Kight had a daughter who died in the bombing. He will watch the execution with hundreds of others on closed-circuit TV.

"I hope it will give me peace knowing he will be eliminated," Kight said to the Washington Post.

Kight and the others who will watch the execution don't want closure. They want revenge. They want to see McVeigh suffer and die and feel some of the pain that he has inflicted on his victims. They think that watching the death will give them closure, but they are wrong.

McVeigh is not sorry for his actions and accepts the verdict. Viewers will see a man prepared for death, not the humbled, penitent convict that they want.

He will die believing his crime was justified. He will not die sorry for his actions or even scared at the prospect of death. McVeigh will die happy that even in his last minutes his life was devoted to a cause, distorted as it was.

Witnessing the execution will not bring closure. McVeigh will die, but witnessing his last moments will be more offensive then witnessing any of his activities since the bombing.

All the progress that victims' families have made will be wiped out as McVeigh disgraces the memory of his victims one last time. The witnesses will have to live with the memory of the death of this man, not in humility but in arrogance.

Revenge is not the key to closure. It is the opposite. It does not put the difficult experience in the past, allowing victims to move on with their life. Revenge keeps the past in the present.

The friends and family of those who were killed by McVeigh's bomb are themselves victims. They must go on with a great loss in their lives, but they may never completely recover from the devastation.

They may need closure, but watching McVeigh die will not bring it. Closure will only come when they can move on with their lives.

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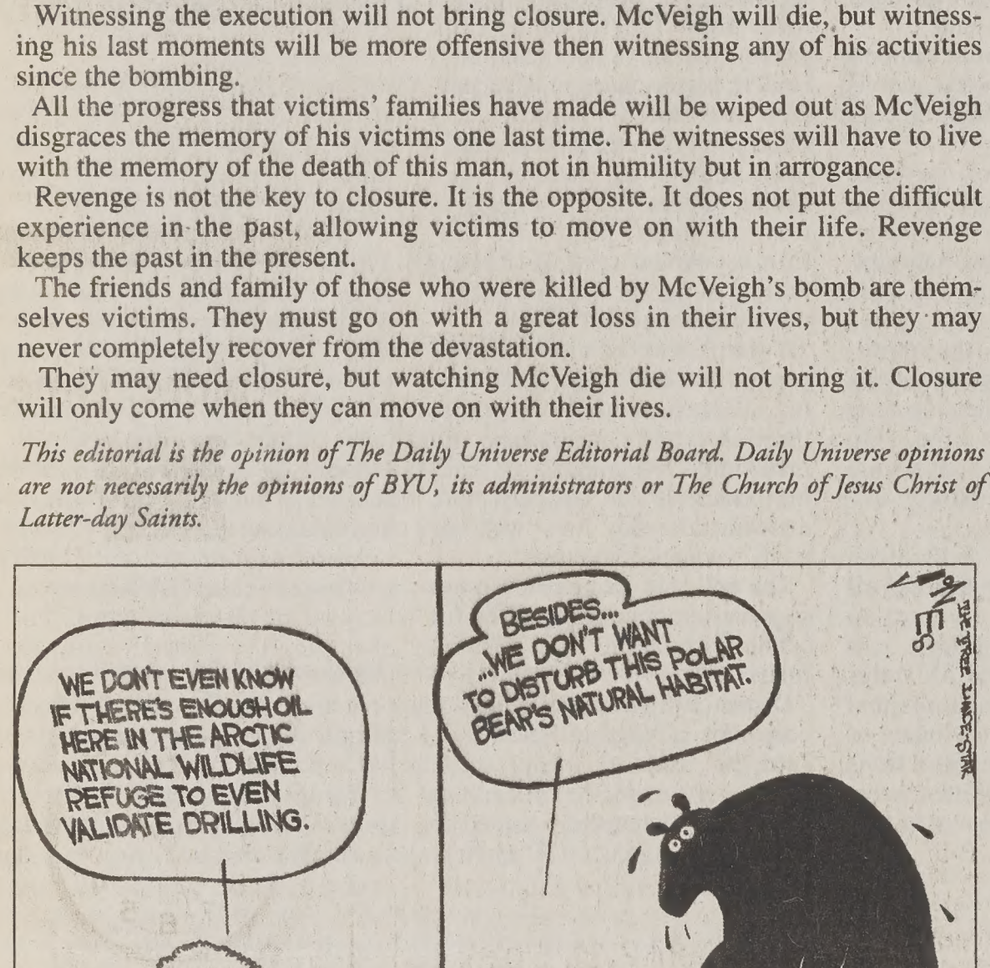
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VIEWPOINT

Mary's last stand

I can see the finish line ahead, and I'm leaning towards it.

Graduation is only a few days away, I've got my cap and gown, all my classes are done, and BYU is ready to take its big foot and kick me out.

So now what do I do?

Some of you may remember reading a Viewpoint at the beginning of the semester about a girl who feared graduating single. Update: I'm still single. But that's the least of my worries right now.

mary deardeuff

FM Producer

What concerns me most is that I'm leaving BYU, and all of a sudden I am thinking of things I haven't done.

For example, I have never been inside the Harvey L. Fletcher Building Then again, who has?

Seriously folks, there are many buildings on this campus that I only walk by — who knows what interesting things are inside. Probably classrooms. But maybe there's more stuff, like the stuffed animals in the Monte L. Bean Life Science Museum, or the great paintings in the Museum of Art, or the children in the Smith Family Living Center.

I have also never taken a marriage prep class. How on earth is BYU going to give me a diploma if I haven't had my proper training?

I've never been to a swimming and diving meet for example, or played an intramural sport. I have also never taken a tap class. Here I am, about to enter the world, and I don't even know how to tap. I could have learned here.

I could have learned how to speak Danish, and become able to communicate with bakers across the world.

I recently learned there is a basket-weaving class here, a fly-fishing class and a juggling club. I bet I could make a great basket and juggle at the same time.

I haven't even been to the Jerusalem Center. Hasn't everyone before they graduate? But time has run out for me.

Next week BYU is slapping a tassel on my head and a diploma in my hand and saying "Tootles! Don't let the screen door hit you on the way out!"

All these thoughts are probably worrying the people in my college advisement center. They are sweating bullets, thinking, "she has over 160 credits already, Why doesn't she leave?"

I guess they have a point. I have been here four years going springs, summers, falls and winters. I changed my major, earned two minors, and have taken more electives than is recommended. It's time I left.

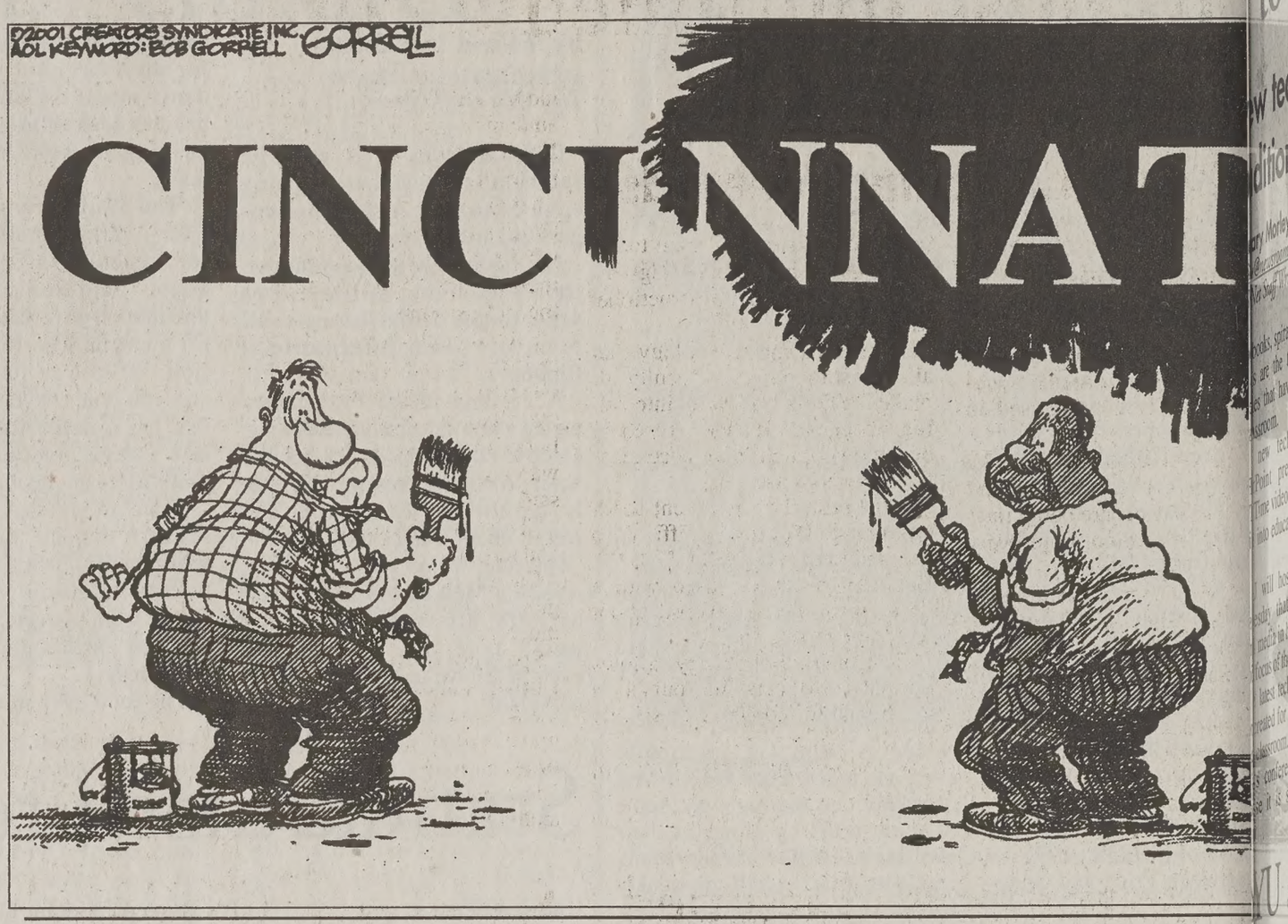
But I'm definitely glad for the opportunities that I have taken advantage of while here. Who else can graduate saying they've been on the roof of the Caroline Harman Continuing Education Building? It's that big glass one by DT Field and 900 East. Don't ask, by the way.

I've been on the sideline at football games, on the floor of the Marriott Center for a Devotional by President Hinckley, in the Centennial Carillon Tower, on the top of Mount Timpanogos, and close to Donny Osmond in the KBYU studios of the Harris Fine Arts Center.

I've taken ballroom dance classes and Women in the Eighteenth Century — humanities. I've played monopoly in the Carl F. Eyring Science Center and I studied abroad in Spain. And I snuck food into the library. Yes, BYU has been good to me.

My point is that no matter how close you are to Graduation Day, do something you haven't done yet here. Go swimming in the Botany Pond or splash in a fountain. Live it up a little. The finish line comes up sooner than you think.

Mary Deardeuff is a 21-year-old senior from Jamesport, Mo., majoring in broadcast journalism.



READERS' FORUM

Snider's remarks

Dear Editor,

I agree with The Daily Universe's reasons for not covering the story of the BYU student who was suspended for homosexual activity.

Students are suspended all the time. BYU is not allowed to say why. If the students discuss it publicly, that's their business, but the university still cannot comment. Because of this, any news story written would be one-sided.

In a letter published Thursday, it was said that because the student went to the press, that makes it a news story. I disagree. People contact newspapers all the time with something they feel is newsworthy. Ninety percent of the time, they are wrong, and the newspapers do nothing with their "story."

Just because one newspaper decided to cover this particular incident doesn't mean all of a sudden it's newsworthy. It just means that newspaper made an error in judgment.

Whether the student was suspended unfairly is newsworthy — but since the Honor Code Office won't talk about such things, it makes it an impossible issue to deal with.

The bigger story is whether the Honor Code Office routinely operates in an unfair manner. I believe it does, but good luck cracking that one open. You're not even allowed to make jokes about it in Daily Universe humor columns, as I recall.

Another letter-writer said students shouldn't have to turn to The Salt Lake Tribune or The Daily Herald for their BYU news. If you read the stories those papers published, you'll find they didn't get to the bottom of this story any more than The Daily Universe did in not covering it at all.

Good call, editors.

Eric D. Snider
Orem

Viewing the execution

Dear Editor,

Justice will be done and Timothy McVeigh is getting what's coming to him. I know the survivors and victim's families must feel relieved. I don't understand, however, that most of them wish to watch the execution live on television. I'm appalled and disgusted. A grandmother of a victim said she would be "elated" if she could see it.

OK, I don't claim to understand how any of these people feel. What McVeigh did was awful and sick. But guess what? Wanting to watch him die is pretty sick too.

As a matter of fact, he wants people to witness it. If he could have it his way he would want the whole country to see it. Hello? This should tell us something. Even at his death, he wants the attention of the country, just as he did when he bombed that building.

Damien Rapp
Del Mar, Calif.

'Borrowed Earth'

Dear Editor,

Fifteen BYU students share their work in the premier edition of a new journal unveiled last week. Here's a snippet of what you'll learn in this first issue of "Borrowed Earth:" Tolstoy was a "tree-hugger" and the Word of Wisdom is an environmentalist's credo.

This journal is for lovers of kestrels and nuthatches. It's a must read for friends of Lake Powell or advocates for Glen Canyon and a healthy Grand Canyon ecosystem.

If you've considered constructing a wetland, or you've been wondering about the science of the tide pools you play in, you'll find answers in these pages.

And, if you're worried that certain politicians are looking a lot like keystone predators, "Borrowed Earth's" poetry, data and even the equations may bring you some peace.

Readers' Forum letters policy

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Whether you want to embrace — or re-educate — the writer who argues that it's unethical to assign equal value to humans and the rest of God's creations, you will find the arrogance and idealism of youth stimulating.

Whether for you the Word of Wisdom means you're a vegetarian or a responsible meat eater, I think you'll find food for thought in these pages. Quin Monson's report on indicators of environmental attitudes stirred my soul. Research on environmental issues has been my passion for over 30 years.

This impressively edited, beautifully jacketed Volume One ends with Justin Fish's "Call for Consciousness." I hope this new publication engages BYU students, faculty and all other readers not only into consciousness and awareness, but into action.

It may be, that for some, that first act is to communicate effectively and persuasively to others what they're thinking, feeling, and discovering about our borrowed earth.

Congratulations on an excellent example of the intelligence and strength on this campus. I look forward to many future volumes.

JoAnn M. Valenti
Professor, Communications Department
Salt Lake City

Letter on letters

Dear Editor,

As another school year comes to an end, we think it might be nice to reflect on the issues that have been of recurring importance here at BYU.

Globally, this year has seen war in Bosnia, the Middle East, Chechnya, and Africa; two submarine disasters; political upheaval in Mexico, the Philippines, and the Czech Republic; and the United States-China standoff.

Nationally, school shootings and violence have plagued our country, a turbulent national election ended in perhaps the most controversial presidential election in U.S. history, the economy has been all over the place, and some of the most important cases in 10 years have come before the Supreme Court.

And what have been the most popular topics of discussion in the letters section of The Daily Universe?

One-strap backpacks, skirts and shorts above the knee, a woman's responsibility for a man's impure thoughts, the evils of two earrings, the evils of Homecoming queen pictures in the Wilkinson, the evils of R-rated movies, and the fact that all Democrats are going to Hades.

Thanks to all of those whose spiritual superiority and desire to share their celestial perfection contributed to the impression that the majority of our student body truly lives in a bubble.

Gil and Jennifer Castro
Benicia, Calif.

Mustache murmu

Dear Editor,

Have you ever heard the "unjustly punished"? That's how this week. We began growing o taches (which are BYU approved way) on Monday and have been n cruelty, hostility, and prejudice.

Just because we have mustach n't mean we are ex-convicts. you ostracize us for demonstra manhood? Here are some recent

"People who once greeted me now give me the cold shoulder."

"Cashiers in the bookstore n me with distrust."

"My girlfriend won't kiss me, a me 'Guido.'"

Tom Selleck has a mustache; see him getting cast out of so who criticizes Magnum P.I.?

We invite every able-faced silently protest this bigotry by their manhood show. Fight it. Love it.

Daniel Marriott, Salt Lake City
Ross Davi, San Anton
Aaron Gray, Edwardsville, Ill.
Mark Chris, Fairbanks,
Jared Theler, Sandy
Stan Israel, San Diego
Ted Gardner, Kaysville, Davis County

Crosswalks at fa

Dear Editor,

There are two opinions about t lem of pedestrian safety in Pro those often depend on which sid windshield one is looking throug

Drivers express frustration at p ans who nearly cause accident they carelessly wander into the Pedestrians, on the other hand, a frustrated by the lack of courte receive, frequently having to w long time because drivers won't s

The law states that once a pede in the lane next to the driver, th must stop. It also states that ped must wait until it is all clear.

While drivers and pedestrians each other, the real fault lies wit ble crosswalks.

If drivers and pedestrians are coexist peacefully, people need their concerns for safer crossw Provo City and help make the safer for all of us.

Emily Barlow, Bountiful
Chris Quin, Provo
Amanda Moore, Dana Point, Calif.
Alexandra, McLean, V
Corinne Cook, Farmington, Davis County

Tower phobia

Dear Editor,

How do people with phobias o and elevators cope with the Spe Kimball Tower's structure?

Yes, there are stairs, but it's im to climb them every time one mu class or visit a professor's office.

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to host multimedia conference Wednesday

w technology revamps ditional teaching methods

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t Staff Writer

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new technologies, like oint presentations and ime videos, are being inte- nto education more every

will host a conference sday that will highlight media in higher education. ocus of the conference will latest technology that has ated for interactive video lassroom.

conference is exciting e it is showcasing new ways to help students learn tough concepts," said David Egbert, manager of BYU's Instructional Media Center.

Egbert said the technology that allows students and faculty to make DVDs is especially interesting because it has recently become so much more accessible for classroom use.

In the past, the equipment needed to make DVDs was difficult to use and cost more than $30,000. But now it can be used with a desktop computer and costs about $1,000, he said.

"The new technology allows normal consumers like ourselves to be able to create simple DVDs," Egbert said.

According to the program schedule, the conference will also include presentations on how new media are being used in higher education institutions in Utah and Nevada and in administration and networking.

Multimedia Consultant Richard Culatta said the new technologies would allow more professors to incorporate digital media into their classrooms.

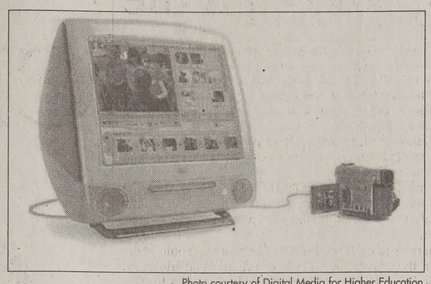
Even though many of the rooms at BYU are already equipped for interactive multimedia technology, it has not been used frequently because some of the older software is difficult to work with, he said.

"This will change all that," Culatta said.

Culatta said the new technologies make using digital media much easier.

Speaking of the film and video editing software Final Cut Pro, Culatta said, "It will probably make video editing about 100 times easier."

Several of the new digital media technologies are available in the BYU Bookstore to students and faculty for a reduced price.



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For students and faculty, Final Cut Pro is sold for $249 and is on order, said Nick Wright, BYU Bookstore employee.

The conference is sponsored by the Statewide Higher Education Macintosh Professionals.

It will take place in 3714 HBLL and will include several presentations.

There will be a Nevada/Utah media showcase at 1 p.m., a digital video workshop from 2 to 4 p.m. and a presentation on administration and networking also from 2 to 4 p.m.

For more information, call 378-7948.

YU students fatigued 'Mormon Disease'

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> "It took a lot of work to get diagnosed. My parents took me to a lot of doctors who basically diagnosed me after they had ruled out everything else."
>
> —Emily Mangum, BYU student

300 BYU students fell to a condition known as algia syndrome or "The n Disease" last year, said arnett, a professor in the s Management Program

ecent lecture at the BYU Center, Ron McBride, ecializes in the study and nt of FMS, said the term on Disease" has been for the condition because revalence of FMS among rs of The Church of Jesus of Latter-day Saints.

ding to Barnett, who cur- uffers from FMS, there is ry to explain the preva- f FMS among members Church of Jesus Christ.

a genetic kidney defect ects at least 5 percent of onal population, Barnett

National Fibromayalgia h Association Web site that over six million ans suffer from FMS.) percent of these people nen.

is also known as chronic syndrome, said Barnett.

syndrome really mani- itself in two forms," said. "In women, they ot of pain in the muscles, nen … they just experience fatigue."

Barnett said the symptoms can be different, but the fundamental cause is the same. The kidneys have the same problem in both cases, Barnett said.

However, FMS is often misdiagnosed. According to McBride, it is a difficult condition for doctors to diagnose because there are so many symptoms and they are all unrelated.

Emily Mangum, 24, of Provo, said she had FMS for four years before she was diagnosed with chronic fatigue syndrome at age 16.

"It took a lot of work to get diagnosed," Mangum said. "My parents took me to a lot of doctors who basically diagnosed me after they had ruled out everything else."

Spring Fling promises fun with a variety of activities

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It's time to take a break from studying and party tonight with Spring Fling.

Spring Fling is an annual campus party held at the end of each winter semester. It gives students a chance to take a break and enjoy themselves before reading days and finals.

Spring Fling will be tonight from 8 p.m. to midnight all over campus.

Program director Lisa Hinton said, "We tried to think of things that everyone would like. We tried to get a variety of different activities."

Between events, dances and food all over campus there will be something for everyone, she said.

There will be five separate dances, with themes of top 40, techno, swing, country and Latin.

A variety of bands such as Simple End, Shye Violet, Zero to Nothing and Aberdine will play at various locations around campus.

Executive director of campus activities Thom Carter said they got over 50 submissions from bands.

"We wanted to give as many bands as we could the opportunity to play, so we are having two different stages. The bands are popular, and their quality is great. We had a hard time choosing which ones to feature," he said.

In the JSB auditorium, a cappella groups and Divine Comedy will be performing throughout the night.

For those who have kids, there will even be a kiddie carnival at the Wymount stake center.

Carter said BYUSA has been working with campus resources as well as local companies to provide as many activities as possible.

He said Extreme Sports, the BYU Bookstore and Dining Services have been very willing to work with BYUSA as Spring Fling sponsors.

Carter said arrangements have been made with Denny's and Hogi Yogi to stay open late Tuesday night after Spring Fling and offer discounts to students so there are even more opportunities for fun after the party on campus is over.

Carter said this year the party will be more spread out, with more food locations, more band locations and more dances.

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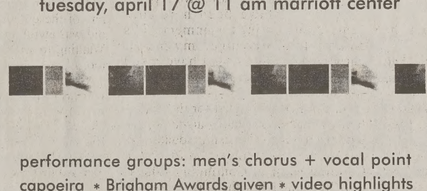

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Lifelong friendships flourish

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Eight men from Summerville, S.C., have been friends since childhood. Today, they are still friends, living together in a red brick house on 570 N. 500 East.

"It's really fun just because we already know each other. We know each other's likes and dislikes, and we have inside jokes that make it a constant party over here," said Justin Robinson, 24, a senior from Summerville, S.C., majoring in psychology.

The roommates spend a lot of time together; three of them even work together at Pedersen's Ski and Sport.

"It's cool because we get to work together and then come home and hang out together. It's cool that we don't get on each other's nerves too much," said Josh Baughman, 21, a sophomore from Summerville, S.C., who has not declared a major.

Also, these men played basketball together when they were kids and carry on the tradition in college.

"We've been playing ball since we were little kids and now that we're all grown up and play in two different leagues, we are able to raise the roof because we know how to play together," said Shaun Bunch, 21, a freshman from Summerville, S.C., majoring in economics.

The men list several advantages to living with people they grew up with.

"One cool thing about being from South Carolina and all living together is we've known each other our whole lives so we know who we can count on and we know that we're never going to let each other down," said Justin Baughman, 24, a junior from Summerville, S.C., majoring in marketing.

The men say there are always tons of people at the house, making for an exciting time.

"It's a way to attract other people to come and hang out with us because we are already so tight.... It can be kind of intimidating at first, but eventually people feel really comfortable around us," Robinson said.

The men know all about each other's pasts and learn more from living together.

"We really get to know each other and remember each other's pasts and reminisce back on the days of South Carolina.... It's pretty sweet," Josh Baughman said.

There is a bond and trust between these men that cannot be broken, Justin Baughman said.

"I know what kind of pasts they have, and so we know we can tell each other secrets and they are never going to let us down or sell us out," he said. "There are always good things about living with people you grew up with."

There are also four other men living in the home.

"With 12 guys in the house, obviously there are going to be a lot of cute girls who are going to come over, but if you like one of them, you better move fast because there is a lot of competition," Robinson said.

Living with eight people from the same place can also foster state pride.

"I guess we've got a lot of pride being from South Carolina.... One thing I've noticed when I drive around is that not just me and my boys but other people from South Carolina have the South Carolina license plate on the front of their cars," Justin Baughman said.

"There's a big pride in being from South Carolina," he said.

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These 12 men live in a red brick house on 570 N. 500 East. Eight of them have been friends s childhood. Their similar backgrounds, complementary personalities and shared experiences le helped them be a mutual support to each other while attending college.

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The members of Sunfall Festival, clockwise from bottom left, Amy Greetham, Chris Peterson, Scott Wiley and George Brunt, will release their third album on Monday.

Sunfall Festival enjoys rays of newest album

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The band Sunfall Festival is releasing its first album after winning a $250,000 recording contract, and the album is worth every penny.

Sunfall Festival's highly anticipated third album, Monday 23, which drummer Chris Peterson calls "the album the band envisioned making since 1995." It will be released Monday, which is April 23.

Fans can get a preview of the new album at Sunfall Festival's CD release party on Tuesday at Johnny B's Comedy Club in Provo.

Monday 23, from its cover art to its music, is a crafted work of art.

Lead singer Amy Greetham, whose hauntingly beautiful voice helped thrust Sunfall Festival's music into the national spotlight, shows not only her vocal range and depth, but also her ability to mix tone and emotion on Monday 23.

She emotes a slight rasp to her voice on her edgier songs and sings like a mother to her sleeping child on her ballads.

Because her voice is so unique it fosters a love/hate relationship with listeners. But one thing's for sure, it's hard to forget that voice.

Scott Wiley, Sunfall Festival guitarist, experiments with electronic guitar effects and even string arrangements on the majority of the tracks to show a more technical side to their casual, pop/rock style.

The album's ballads feature Wiley's airy arpeggio-style playing where he lets the notes from his guitar ring and blend with a background of symphonic string arrangements.

His use of distortion is impressive on "What It Feels Like," as he builds timed crescendos through increasingly distorted guitar without removing the song from its pop/rock feel.

Sunfall Festival shows its songwriting maturity on track eight titled "Wah Oh." This silly title has little to do with the catchy rhythm and harp-like guitar played by Wiley and the steady beat by drummer Peterson.

Also included on Monday 23 is Sunfall Festival's claim-to-fame song "I Walked Away," which won the band its $250,000 recording contract through Garageband.com's unsigned band contest.

Sunfall Festival will host its CD release party on Tuesday at Johnny B's Comedy Club in Provo. Jamen Brooks, former lead singer of Clover, will open.

Doors open at 8 p.m. and tickets are $6 at the door, $5 if preordered at the band's Web site, www.sunfallfestival.com.

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Monday 23

Sunfall Festival release party Johnny B's tonight 8.

Exercise spins into popularit

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Survival of the fittest is taking a whole new spin.

Literally.

New health and exercise crazes are keeping the fitness-minded in shape.

Biking and aerobics have been popular activities, but they have taken on a new level by combining the two.

Popularly referred to as "spinning," the stationary bike workout is considered a great alternative to both aerobic and anaerobic exercise, said Jay Hughes, a cycling class instructor for Gold's Gym.

Hughes said spinning is a great workout because it works the lower body muscle groups as well as the abdomen. It's a great way to cross train, he said.

"Spinning" was created by the cyclist Johnny G, who wanted a cycling workout in the colder winter months. While the workout was intended as a seasonal alternative, it is popular year-round, Hughes said.

The workout consists of several intervals of fast and slow pedaling at various resistance settings. What's really nice is that the cyclist determines the resistance and tension he/she will ride at, Hughes said.

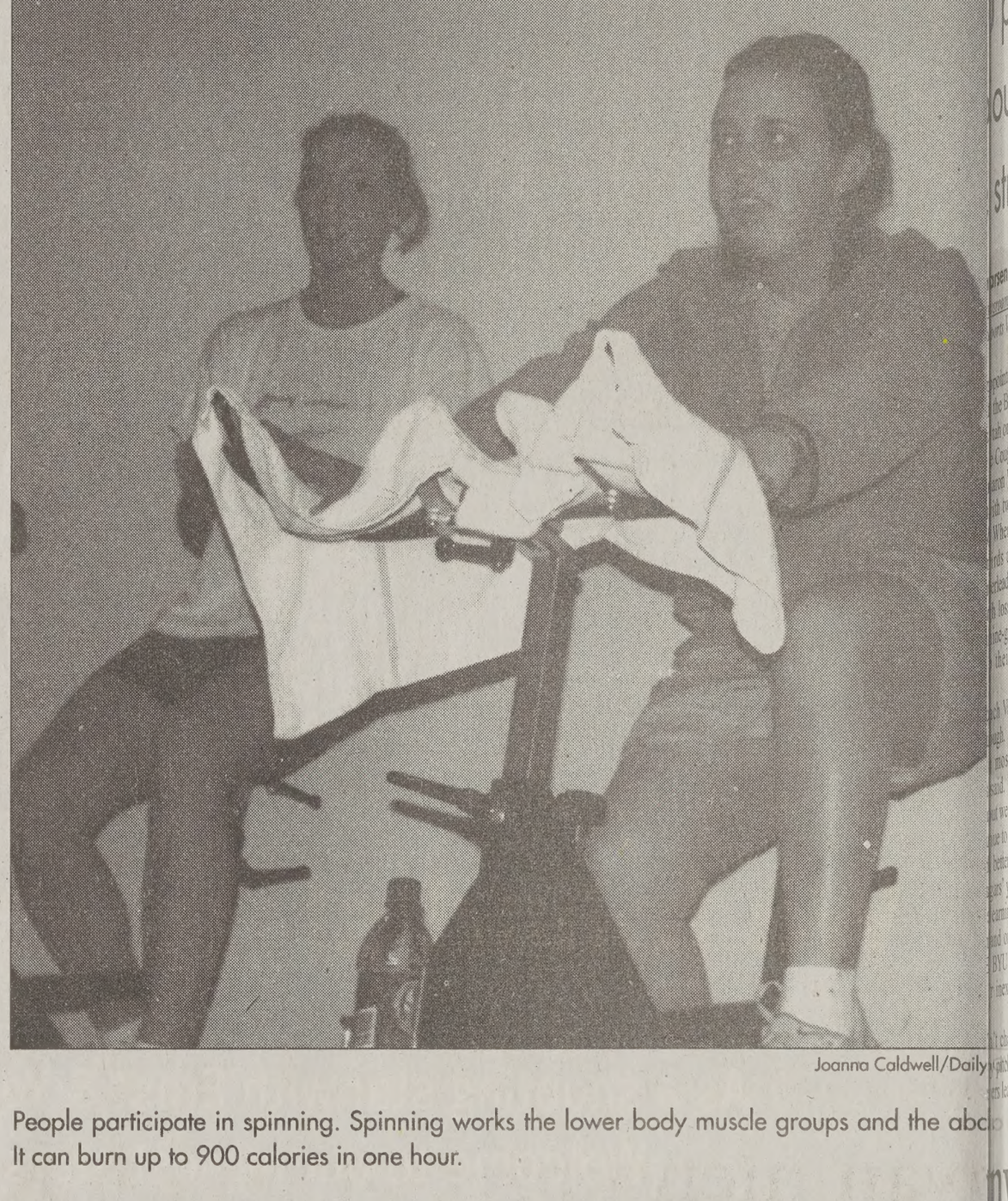
"A lot of people are afraid of spinning because they think it's hard, but the truth is that it is very light impact, takes no special coordination and anyone can do it, no matter their fitness level," he said.

It's also noncompetitive since the cyclist operates their own bike resistance settings, he said.

However, it is definitely a workout. Spinning burns up to 900 calories in one hour, he said.

No coasting is allowed in spinning since the bikes are specially manufactured, so the cyclist is always exerting a lot of energy, Hughes said.

"It really keeps me going," said Anne Parkinson, 19, a junior from Provo, majoring in accounting.



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People participate in spinning. Spinning works the lower body muscle groups and the abd It can burn up to 900 calories in one hour.

She said she was first attracted to spinning because it was a good alternative to her usual workout routine. Parkinson enjoys running, but the mix-up in her routine keeps her on her toes.

BYU graduate Rachel Esplin, 24, from Vacaville, Calif., tried spinning and found it was challenging because it worked her muscles in new ways. She's stuck with it because it's such a great workout and because she enjoys the drive, she said.

"Interval training really challenges you and makes you work hard," she said.

By adjusting the tensions to mimic hills, Esplin said spinning helps with muscular toning. The lighter resistance and sprints help with cardiovascular exercise by bringing up the heartbeat, she said.

It takes a while to get used to riding the bikes and the fi times are a major adjus Esplin said. However, tha with any workout — it ju time to get used to.

"It's great to work out w ers because it really mo you," she said.

Cycling classes are ta gyms because of the s equipment that is required said. Instructors teach the es, which last about an hou

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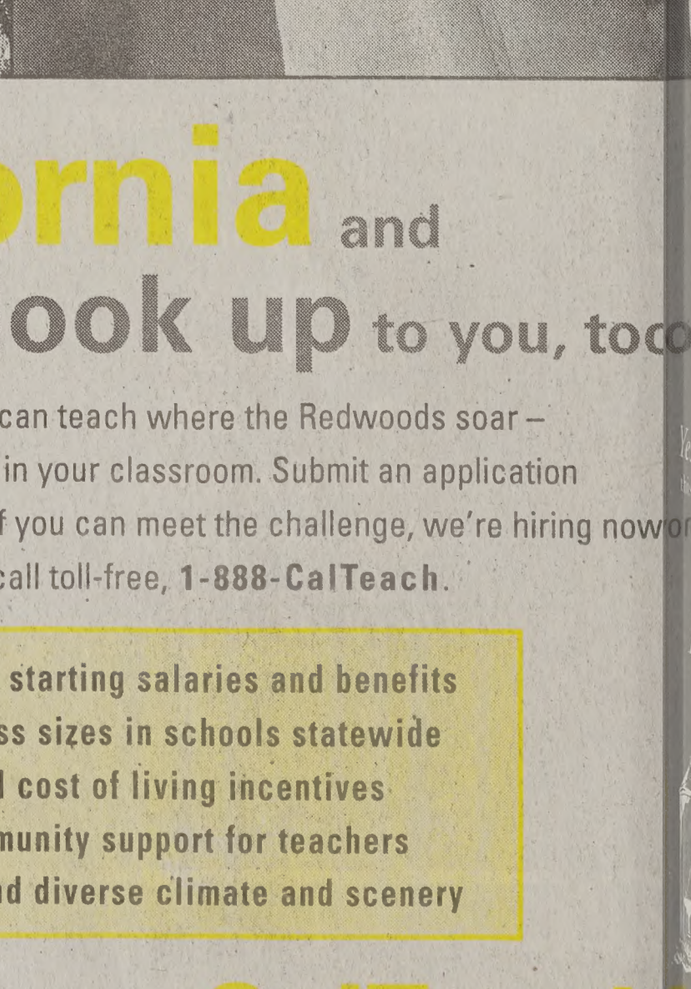

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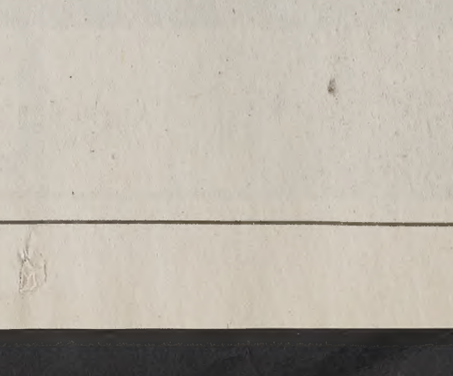

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ointment in the air was tan- he BYU baseball team fell to h on Monday, 15-12.
Cougar team was standing to rron Whitley, who stepped to h two outs in the bottom of When his pop fly gave the rds an easy third out, the leaders fell silent.
loss spelled an end to the ne-game winning streak, as their perfect Miller Park

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t change speeds much, and pitch hard," Law said. "Our rs learned you had better mix it up, otherwise your lunch will be given to you."

With the Cougars regularly throwing fastballs, Thunderbird batters piled up 19 hits, including three dingers. Several other deep balls could have been doubles or triples if not for some spectacular diving catches in the BYU outfield.

The home team had plenty of big hits too.

Slugger Matt Carson got the Cougars started early with a two-run blast in the first inning. Jeff Hiestand added his own two-run homer in the third to put BYU up 6-0.

After Southern Utah put up seven runs during a fifth-inning BYU meltdown, Kainoa Obrey put the Cougars back on top with a three-run shot in the sixth.

The Thunderbirds put up four more runs in the seventh, then held on for the upset victory.

"It felt really good to come back and give these guys their first loss in their new stadium," said SUU's Keith Dickinson, remembering his team's two recent losses to BYU in Cedar City.

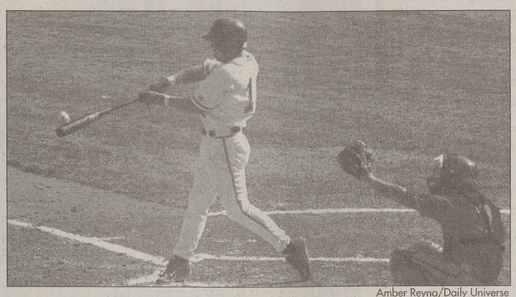
The two teams will meet again today at 4 p.m. at Miller Park.

Thunderbird head coach Kurt Palmer doesn't expect the rematch to be an easy affair.

"They're always a good team," he said of the Cougars. "We do not want to lose to these guys."

As BYU, 24-15, prepares for today's game, assistant coach Hank Taylor is confident the Cougars can get another winning streak going.

"Tomorrow, this will be no big deal," he said, standing in the deserted dugout after Monday's game. Evening shadows spread across the field and the nearly empty stands. "We'll come out, we'll play hard and we'll win."



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BYU's Tim Law makes contact as SUU's catcher waits in vain for the ball. The Thunderbirds made contact on many pitches, outscoring the Cougs 15-12.

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BYU's Jeff Mouser winds up to hurl the ball to the plate. Mousser started for the Cougars in Monday's loss to SUU.

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— A South Korean quit running after a ing at the Sydney ded Kenya's 10-year reak at the Boston

ju became his coun- champion in 51 years Monday when he pulled away in the closing stages to win in 2 hours, 9 minutes, 43 seconds.

Kenya still had a winner in the women's race, with Catherine Ndereba victorious for the second straight year.

Americans, meanwhile, had one of their best races in several years.

Rod DeHaven, the only American to make the men's 2000 U.S. Olympic team last year, placed sixth in a career-best 2:12:41 — the first top 10 finish by a U.S. runner in seven years.

Josh Cox, at 25 the youngest of the elite Americans, even took the lead briefly at the 12.4-mile mark before fading and finishing 14th.

Mark Coogan, a 1996 Olympian, was the third American in the top 20, placing 19th at 2:18:58.

Lee's victory was the first by a non-Kenyan since Italy's Gelindo Bordin in 1990 and the first by a Korean since Kee Yong-ham in 1950.

Lee won the silver medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, and said he was spurred on by the recent death of his father, Hae-ku.

"That was the one thing that pushed me to exert myself more in this competition," the 30-year-old Lee said. He beat runner-up Silvio Guerra (2:10:07) of Ecuador by about 120 yards in the cool, sunny weather.

The presence of the highly successful Kenyans didn't bother Lee.

"I knew I was alone with many Kenyans," he said, "but the marathon is competing against yourself. I focused on competing against myself and not paying attention to the others."

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Y diver skips nationals for school

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> **"There is a price that's paid and I don't think that even instructors see that."**
> — Keith Russell, head diving coach

Sophomore diver Kelli Einfeldt will be cramming for finals like most BYU students this week, when she could have been competing at the U.S. Diving Nationals in Midland, Texas.

After qualifying for Nationals last Saturday at Zone D Championships in Beaverton, Ore., Einfeldt has opted out of this year's competition.

Although there are many factors that went into her decision, Einfeldt said finals played a huge part in her choice to stay home.

"I had scheduled all my finals and then I realized that if I was going to train and take my finals, I couldn't study," she said. "I was just way too stressed out. It is disappointing but it's out of my control."

Head diving coach Keith Russell said he supports Einfeldt's decision.

"I think the perception of a lot of people is that athletes get a lot of benefits and everything," he said. "Most people just see the glory end of it, where you see your name in the paper."

Einfeldt said that throughout the semester she has had time to catch up on schoolwork and tests she missed while traveling, but she couldn't work around her classes this time because of finals week and mandatory grading deadlines.

"I would have missed some classes and then as soon as we got back from Nationals we are leaving for Amman, Jordan. I was just going to miss finals altogether," she said. "It was just a nightmare."

Russell said it was a tough decision but he understands the need to find a balance between school and other pursuits.

"There is a price that's paid and I don't think that even most instructors see that," he said. "When you talk about lowering your grade because you're not there, that's a big incentive not to go."

Rachelle Kunkle, a fifth-year diver who trains with BYU's team, also qualified for Nationals and left yesterday for Texas. Kunkle won Nationals twice on lowboards and hopes to win the 1-meter event.

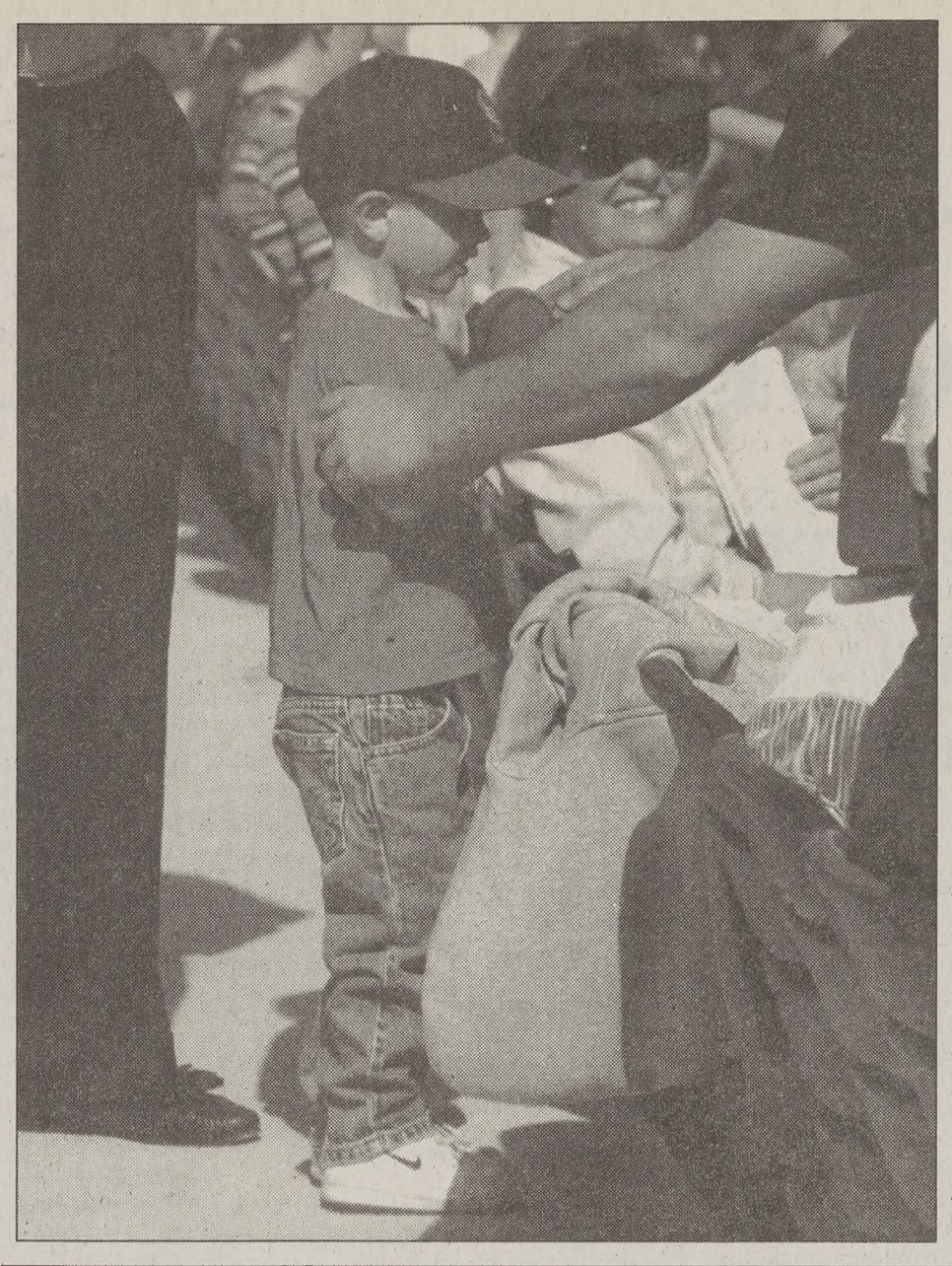
A light credit load and cooperative instructors have helped Kunkle prepare for this year's meet.

"I started studying last week and my classes aren't too terrible right now," she said. "My instructors have been really good to work with me."

Kunkle said she hopes to win at nationals so she can go on to the World Games in Japan this summer.

"That would be my lifetime goal, the culmination of my dreaming," she said.

Kunkle is no longer eligible to compete for BYU.



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A young fan collec the first fo hit to the Miller Par Monday.

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Blazers suspend Wallace

Associated Press

TUALATIN, Ore. — Rasheed Wallace was suspended for one game by the Portland Trail Blazers for throwing a towel into the face of teammate Arvydas Sabonis during an argument in a loss to the Lakers.

Wallace will be suspended for Tuesday's regular-season finale against San Antonio for "conduct detrimental to the success of the team," coach Mike Dunleavy said Monday.

It was the second time this season Wallace has been suspended by Dunleavy.

Wallace will rejoin the Blazers on Wednesday as they prepare for their first-round playoff opponent, likely to be the Lakers. Asked whether Wallace can be a productive member of the team in the playoffs, Dunleavy said, "The answer to that really depends on Rasheed."

"As far as all parties are concerned, hopefully we come to practice on Wednesday and you basically bury the hatchet," he added.

It's the second time this month Wallace has been suspended by his team for surly on-court behavior. He also was suspended two games by the NBA in early February for throwing a towel that grazed the cheek of referee Gary Benson, who had ejected him.

While Wallace's tantrums over officiating have become notorious, he never had publicly feuded with a teammate before Sunday.

During the third quarter of Sunday's 105-100 loss to the Lakers, Sabonis was shoved out of the way by Shaquille O'Neal, who was going for a rebound. Sabonis, trying to draw a foul, flailed his arms, and his left hand smacked Wallace in the face.

Wallace, who had his left eye blackened by Sabonis' elbow during another inadvertent hit at Golden State on April 6, doubled over. He yelled at Sabonis as the teams went to their benches for a time-out. Still furious, Wallace threw a small, white towel into Sabonis' face, then walked away. The 7-foot-3 Lithuanian center sat red-faced, as teammates Will Perdue and Scottie Pippen stared after Wallace in disbelief.

Dunleavy said there was some miscommunication on the part of both players, but that it didn't excuse Wallace's action.

"The reaction wasn't, I don't think, fair, as far as being warranted. But there is another side to the story," Dunleavy said.

Neither Wallace nor Sabonis would comment following the game. The team said the players would not be made available for interviews on Monday.

Wallace has been ejected seven times this season and has racked up 41 technical fouls, breaking the league record of 38 he set last season. But he seemed to calm down after getting thrown out of a home loss to Minnesota on April 1.

Dunleavy, making good on a warning to Wallace the last time he had been ejected, suspended Wallace for a game at Denver on April 3. He got just one technical foul in his next five games.

He scored 28 points on Sunday and hit several big shots in the second half to keep the Blazers close. But the Lakers outscored them 6-0 in the final 1:59 to win.

The Blazers have lost 13 of 21 games, including five straight against playoff-bound teams from the Western Conference. A win by Phoenix on Monday night will make Portland the seventh-seeded team in the playoffs and drawn against the second-seeded Lakers.

NBA fines Williams $25,00 citing 'inappropriate conduc

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Sacramento Kings guard Jason Williams was fined $25,000 by the NBA on Monday for "inappropriate conduct" directed at San Antonio fans Thursday night.

Williams and several teammates became the target of verbal abuse from several Spurs fans when they obscured the fans' view by standing on the baseline to watch the final minutes of Sacramento's victory over the Spurs. Williams apparently responded with profanity and at least one obscene gesture.

"There is only so much you should have to take," Kings forward Art Long, who was nearby during the incident, told the Sacramento Bee. "When the fans are taunting you, then what do you do? They are making gestures at Jason that implied he was doing different drugs and cursing at us. How much do you have to take?"

It's the fourth league disciplinary incident within a year — and the second involving San Antonio fans — for Williams, the Kings' flashy starting point guard.

Last month, he w $15,000 for directing and racial slurs towar State fans at a game in He issued a public apol fans days later.

On Dec. 1, the NBA $10,000 for swearing ing obscene gestures San Antonio. Williams suspended for the games of the season af to comply with his obligations under the anti-drug program.

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> "For some people, they like to patrol more and that's fine."
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hting crime isn't just for the ers in blue anymore.
sidents of Provo have been nteering to help keep their rborhoods safe.
obile-watch programs are g used more within Provo imits.
ilar to neighborhood watch, ile watch is an aggressive e-prevention program in h participants volunteer a hours a month to patrol their unity.
e mobile-watch programs made a huge difference, said Howl, crime analyst for the o police department.
rgeant Mark Troxel of the o police department said ile-watch programs have involved in identifying drug es, recovering stolen vehi- and bicycles, catching people have been peeping in win- s and identifying public ness.
the neighborhoods of Provo re these programs exist, has decreased, he said.
the Franklin neighborhood, le watch has been in use for a few months, he said.
hose few months, crime has dy decreased 12 percent, el said.
e mobile-watch program is established in the River- e area where volunteers n patrolling in October of , he said.
ime in the Rivergrove neigh- od is down in excess of 50 ent. I think it is probably to 60 percent," Troxel said.
obile watch is successful use it provides a visible rent to criminals, cooperates the police department in ng neighborhood problems helps the police identify nal and suspicious activities, id.
yone who lives in Provo and es to participate in mobile h is welcome to join, Troxel

U students may also partici- in the program. Students desire to volunteer should that there is a time invest- he said.
dents who will live in the r neighborhood for a longer d of time would be most l, Troxel said.
ith training taking about hours to complete, plus ride-along with police officers and other mobile-watch groups, there is some time investment. So if somebody's just planning on being there for a semester, it may not be feasible," said Troxel.

Eight hours of training are required to become a part of the mobile-watch program, he said.

Volunteers attend four two-hour meetings where they learn about crime reporting and personal safety, Troxel said.

During these training sessions, volunteers will also need to fill out an application form and a background check. A contract is also provided, stating what responsibilities volunteers have, he said.

We make sure the volunteers understand that there are certain things they can do and certain things we do not want them to do, Troxel said.

"The training is valuable because it teaches people what to watch for, how to call the police, how to report crimes, and what to do when something's happening," Troxel said.

In addition to these meetings, volunteers are required to ride along with a Provo police patrol officer and a sit along with a police department dispatcher, Troxel said.

Once these qualifications are met, volunteers are given an identification badge that qualifies them for mobile-watch patrol, he said.

Volunteers remain on the mobile-watch program as long as they want, if they maintain a good standing as a member, Troxel said.

Times for these training meetings are posted on the Provo city Web site at www.provo.org under Provo police, he said.

Mobile-watch groups are also equipped with tools to aid them in their patrols, he said.

"There is certain equipment that each mobile-watch group acquires. We issue cell phones out to the mobile-watch groups but they purchase some of their own equipment, like flashlights and clipboards," Troxel said.

Armed with cell phones, binoculars, flashlights and police scanners, volunteers patrol their neighborhoods in search of suspicious activities, he said.

Volunteers go out in pairs and set their own schedule, he said.

"We would like to see the mobile-watch groups large enough where a person is going out and patrolling in their neighborhood in the area between once every four to six weeks. So if you have about 20 or 30 people, then that's the case," Troxel said.

"For some people, they like to patrol more and that's fine. We just don't want it to be a necessity, then have somebody get burned out or feel like they're carrying the load," he said.

Mobile-watch volunteers are generally patrolling their neighborhoods Fridays and Saturdays in four-hour shifts, Troxel said.

When mobile watchers encounter a problem they are able to contact the police directly. But sometimes this is not required, he said.

"In some cases they don't contact us directly. They just forward written material saying we think you need to look at this here," Troxel said.

In the end, volunteers establish a safer and more protected neighborhood, he said.

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Resource Mothers save lives, money for young mothers

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NORFOLK, Va. — When 21-year-old Diana Dowling got pregnant, she didn't know where to turn for assistance and reassurance. Her mother often was too sick to help and the baby's father — well, what did he know about having a child?

Then Dowling heard about Resource Mothers, a program at the Eastern Virginia Medical School that recruits women who have had babies to become mentors to young, inexperienced moms-to-be.

Resource Mother Priscilla Kimbrough taught Dowling about the importance of prenatal care, drove her to doctor's appointments and coached her through the natural childbirth of her daughter last summer. Kimbrough will continue to check on the family until Christina turns one.

"It's been a life-changing, life-saving experience," Dowling said. "I felt comfortable talking to her because she'd been there; she's a mother."

The program is saving money and lives by improving the health of pregnant women and newborn children, said founder Dr. Edward Karotkin, professor of pediatrics at the medical school.

Doctors know that women who don't receive prenatal care are more likely to give birth prematurely or deliver small babies. Low birth-weight babies — those weighing less than five pounds — are more likely than bigger infants to have health problems or even die before age one, Karotkin said.

Still, too few women receive prenatal care.

"We recognized we had a big problem in Norfolk and in the state of Virginia, as well as other communities in the country, that's related to poverty and lack of education," Karotkin said.

"It's not that people are ignorant," Karotkin said. "They've never been told about the importance of prenatal care. It became apparent to a lot of us that maybe there were some simple things that we could do to improve the care that these mothers were getting so that we would improve the outcome of the pregnancy."

Some families may be unaware of free resources, including prenatal clinics, said LaVern Morris, a Resource Mothers regional coordinator.

Some teens and young women also may have problems such as not owning a car and living too far from a bus line, or having trouble paying rent, she said.

"So getting to the doctor's office when they feel OK is not a priority," she said.

That's where the Resource Mothers come in.

They undergo intensive training so they can encourage women to get prenatal care and teach them about the importance of eating properly and avoiding drugs and alcohol. They also counsel their clients on family planning, obtaining medical insurance and accessing community services. And they must be able to provide transportation to medical appointments. Participants can g through the program only once.

The program has served mor than 500 clients since it began i 1997, and the results are promis ing.

From 1998 to 1999, low birth weight infants born to Medicai recipients in Norfolk stayed i the hospital for 32 days on aver age. For babies in the Resourc Mothers program, the averag stay was only 12 days, Karotki said.

That means big savings in hos pital costs — an average o $81,578 for a Medicaid baby ver sus an average of $32,044 for Resource Mothers baby. The pro gram costs about $800 a client, s "you save a ton of money," Karotkin said.

Fewer low birth-weight babie were born to Resource Mother participants. From 1998 to 1999 16 percent of babies born t Medicaid recipients in Norfol weighed less than five pounds compared with 13 percent o babies in the program.

Other Resource Mothers pro grams exist in Virginia an around the country, Karotki said. But many don't provid transportation for clients, he said Some programs serve only teen agers, while the Eastern Virginia Medical School program is fo women up to 24.

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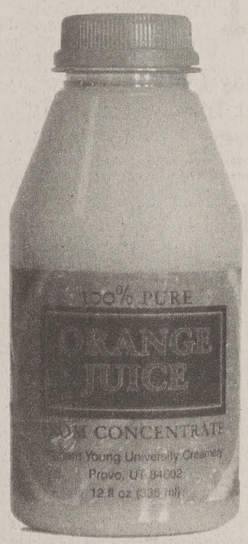

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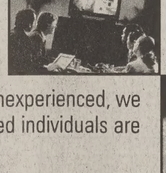
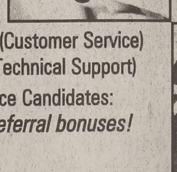
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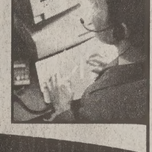

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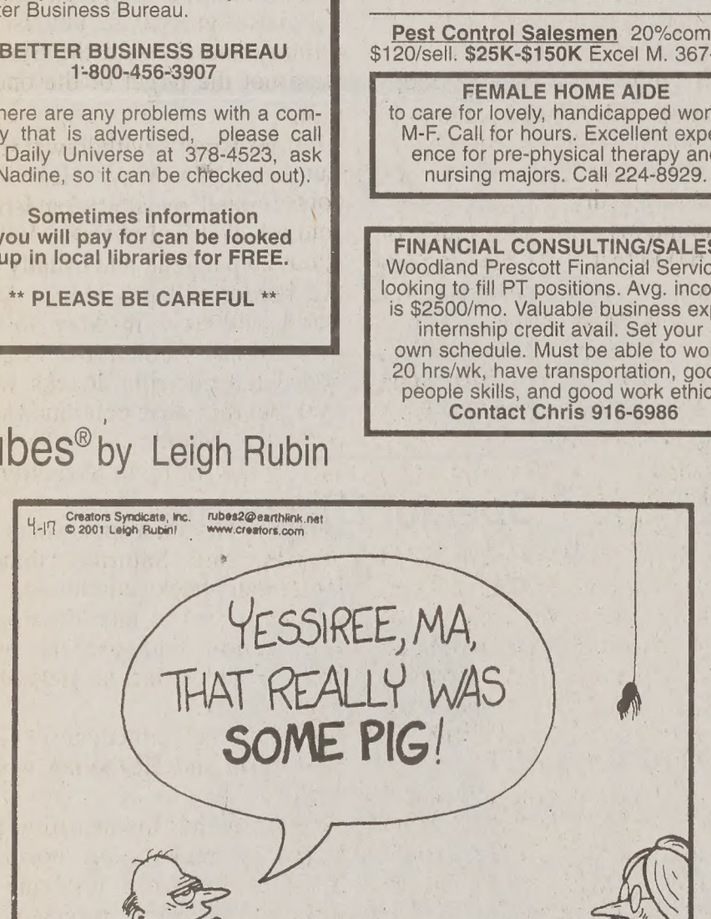
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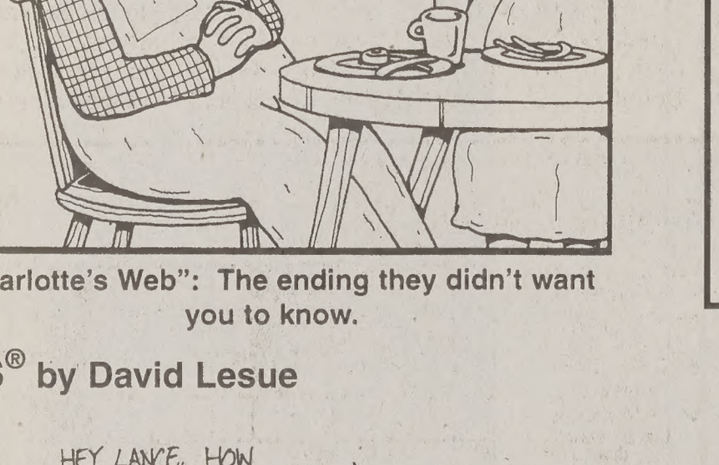

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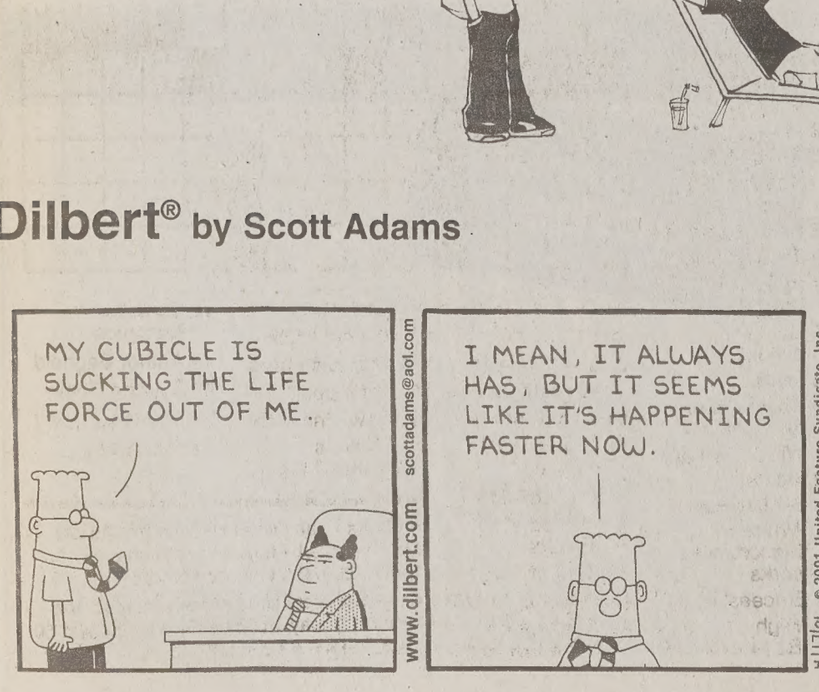
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Religion class provides head start in understanding family history

Students learn research skills, temple history

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BYU's Religious Education Department has made recent efforts to encourage students to take Religion 261 — Introduction to LDS family history.

Raymond Wright, professor of family history in the Department of Church History and Doctrine, said that out of 24,000 students enrolled in religion classes each semester, only about 800 take Religion 261. That means only about three percent of students leave BYU with training in family history research, he said.

Wright said he thinks more students should learn about redeeming the dead as part of the three-fold mission of the church.

"We as teachers of Religion 261 feel that too few BYU students are leaving campus with an understanding of this third leg of the mission of the church," Wright said.

Wright said Religion 261 students learn how to use the Internet and various computer programs to do family history.

"Family history work has become simpler and faster," Wright said. "I think for young people that's important."

Cynthia Doxey, assistant professor of church history and doctrine, said today's generation will be more effective with family history work than previous generations because of technological advances.

Religion 261 students also learn the history and doctrine of the temple, Wright said.

Wright said he wants more BYU students to take Religion 261 before they graduate.

"My goal as a teacher is to have every student be prepared to be called as a family history consultant for their ward," Wright said.

Doxey also said starting young gives students a head start at family history.

> "Why wait 'till you're 75 to start researching when you could start now?"
> —Cynthia Doxey, assistant professor of church history and doctrine

"Why wait till you're 75 to start researching when you could start now?" Doxey said.

Doxey said that many of her students have reported improved family relations from taking Religion 261. She said when students discuss family experiences with their families, they feel closer.

"It's a class that has eternal consequences," Doxey said.

Silvana Mijangos, 20, a senior from Guatemala City, Guatemala, majoring in physical therapy, is taking Religion 261 with her brother and sister.

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The most recent Hezbollah attack occurred Saturday near an area known as the Chebaa Farms. The Chebaa Farms is located where the Syrian, Lebanon and Israeli borders converge. The violence killed an Israeli soldier, reported the Associated Press.

Recently returned from Syria, BYU religious education professor, Brent Top, said the Syrian people are hopeful for peace. "We are always praying for peace, but preparing for war," one Syrian told Top.

Until the recent airstrike, Top said the political feel toward Israel was better than in the past. "Much of the tension had been reduced, it seemed like there was potential for peace." Now, however, the situation is more volatile, Top said.

"This is an ongoing contention," Top said. "I don't see any prospects for immediate peace."

Top added that he is anxious for peace so students can study there. "It is such a great area with so much to offer students," Top said.

"Syria supports the Hezbollah," Terry Ball, BYU ancient scripture professor, said. "At one point Syria and Israel were close to reaching a peace agreement," Ball said.

The peace agreement included giving back the Golan Heights. Ball explained that recently elected Israeli Prime Minister, Ariel Sharon, did not support the exchange of land for peace. "He is in no mind to give back any of the current Israe' area," Ball said.

In response to the airstrike, Lebanese President Emile Lahoud immediately condemned Israel's action, according the Associated Press. In a faxed statement, Lahoud said Lebanon would "take all steps and measures in order to liberate the Chebaa Farms, return the Palestinians to their land and bring back Lebanese prisoners from Israeli jails."

The airstrike will be a set back in peace negotiations. "This is like adding gas on the fire of animosity," Top said.

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responsibility for attacks by the anti-Israel guerrillas and threatened to retaliate. But Monday's strike was a major new departure in the Israeli military response to the guerrilla attacks and increased the risk of escalation along Israel's tense northern border.

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"Israel would be held responsible for the grave consequences of the new aggression which will not deter Lebanon from continuing all the steps and measures in order to liberate the Chebaa Farms, return the Palestinians to their land and brings back Lebanese prisoners from Israeli jails," he said in a faxed statement.

A spokesman for Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat also lambasted Israel for striking Lebanon.

"We completely condemn and criticize the Israeli aggression on south Lebanon and the killing of the three Syrian soldiers," Nabil Aburdeneh said. "I warn of the ramifications of this Israeli escalation that could lead the region into more and more violence."

At least three impacts were heard shortly after midnight Sunday in the region of Dahr el-Baidar, a mountain pass on the highway, according to the witnesses and Lebanese police. Israeli jets roared on several runs as tracers from ground anti-aircraft installations were fired at the warplanes, the witnesses said.

Syria, which has 30,000 troops in Lebanon, has radar stations in the Dahr el-Baidar area and maintains bases and checkpoints for its forces along the crucial highway in mountains with an altitude of over 6,000 feet. The area is strategic because it overlooks much of Lebanon's Mediterranean coastline and the eastern Bekaa Valley, all the way to the mountain range that forms the border between Lebanon and Syria.

A Lebanese security officer at a checkpoint about a half-mile from the radar station told reporters three Syrian soldiers were killed and six wounded. The officer, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the wounded were taken to a military hospital in Chtaura, six miles east. Reporters were barred from the hospital.

It was the first time Israel had targeted such a significant Syrian outpost since the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lebanon, when the Israelis destroyed all the Syrian anti-aircraft missile batteries in Lebanon and pushed the Syrian army back from the Beirut to Damascus highway.

Israeli helicopters attacked Syrian army positions around Beirut airport during the 1996 Israeli bombing campaign against Lebanese guerrillas, but Israeli military sources said the Syrians were not the target of the operation.

Before Israel's withdrawal from Lebanon last May, Hezbollah concentrated on attacking Israeli soldiers inside Lebanon, killing about 20 per year, and usually left the border villages alone. After Israel withdrew in May to the international border, the Israelis hoped the guerrilla attacks were over, but they have continued sporadically. Monday's strike was seen as a warning to Syria to rein them in.

Raanan Gissin, a spokesman for Sharon, said Saturday that if Hezbollah attacks continued, "we will be forced to take the necessary action and exercise self defense and strike at Hezbollah targets."

It was not immediately clear how Syria and Hezbollah would react.

Hezbollah has threatened to fire Katyusha rockets on northern Israel if Lebanese civilians or installations were targeted by Israel. Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, who took over from his late father less than a year ago, has talked tough on Israel, but the Syrian military is considered weaker and less equipped than Israel's advanced army.

Crossword

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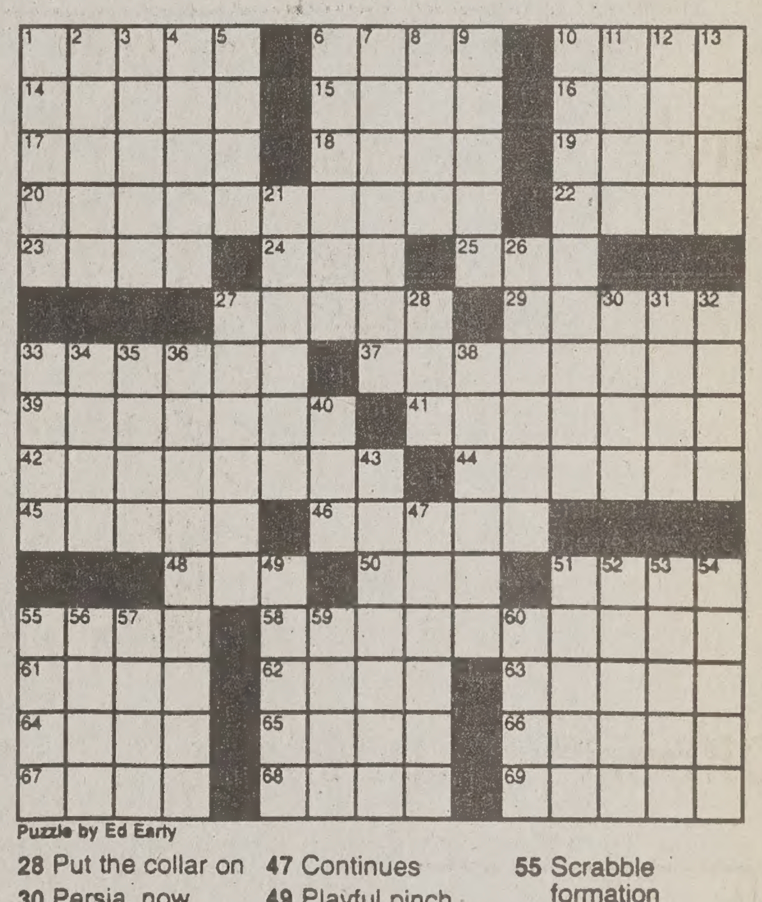
1 Dump hot coffee on
6 Disdainful remark
10 Hook with a handle
14 Turn to mush
15 Not fooled by
16 Stadium shape, maybe
17 Set straight
18 Not that
19 Noggin, in Nantes
20 Share the role?
22 Got 100 on
23 Crow's-nest site
24 Up to, in ads
25 Round Table title
27 "The West Wing" star
29 Radio static, e.g.
33 Designer Pucci
37 Ecstatic
39 "From my perspective," archaically
41 The "B" in G.B.S.
42 Barbara of country
44 Dangerfield who doesn't get any respect
45 Eucharist spot
46 63-Across and others
48 Minded junior
50 Seek the hand of
51 "I did it!"
55 Took one's turn
58 Provided electricity for the john?
61 "... ___ before the deadline"
62 "Boola Boola" collegians
63 Quotable Yankee
64 1972 Kentucky Derby winner ___ Ridge
65 What's more
66 Taking advantage of
67 June 6, 1944
68 Sharp as a tack
69 V-formation fliers

DOWN
1 Something beyond your control
2 Mea ___
3 Seed covers
4 Kosher, so to speak
5 Fender blemish
6 TV dinner fare
7 Asthmatic's device
8 Culinary directive
9 Inviters
10 Bought drinks for everyone?
11 With, to Maurice
12 Kismet
13 Skedaddled
21 Where a telecommuter works
26 Emcees' lines
27 "High ___" (Bogart classic)
28 Put the collar on
30 Persia, now
31 Like the Gobi
32 Whirling current
33 Austen novel
34 One of three squares
35 Ain't correct?
36 Walked the mongrel?
38 "End of story!"
40 Stallone, to pals
43 Building with just a few floors
47 Continues
49 Playful pinch
51 The ones here
52 Lofty perch
53 Sews the hose
54 "Time is money," e.g.
55 Scrabble formation
56 Author Bagnold
57 Bygone Chevy
59 "Winnie ___ Pu"
60 "Snug as ___ ..."



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More than animals affected by disease

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Mad cow disease and foot-and-mouth disease have been creating an uproar both in the United States and abroad.

But the question raising the most concern probably is not how the diseases affect livestock, but how they affect people.

Beverly Roeder, a professor in the Animal Science Department, said contraction of the two diseases is extremely rare.

"Out of the billions of people that eat meat, only 80 people have contracted the new variant form of mad cow disease," she said.

Roeder said the disease, officially named Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy, is fatal not only for cows, but for humans as well.

"They can't eat, sit or eventually do anything for themselves," she said.

Roeder said foot-and-mouth disease in humans is very rare — only people with weak immune systems could possibly develop the ulcers and sloughing skin that are symptoms of foot-and-mouth disease.

Peter Wise, is from Devon, England, which is one of the geographic locations hit the worst by foot-and-mouth disease. He said the scare in England is not quite the "doom and gloom" that American newspapers have made it out to be.

"I think they'll get it all under control," Wise said. "It may take some time yet before it is, but we've had outbreaks in the past and there have been outbreaks all over the world and they get them under control eventually."

England has done a good job keeping the meat on the market from being contaminated, even though there was an initial price scare, Wise said.

"I think this, coupled with the mad cow disease problem, has made a lot of people perhaps not become vegetarians, but certainly cut down. Things like poultry are coming more to the forefront," he said.

The Associated Press reported that British sales of meat in March had a 4.8 percent gain from the previous year — a shock because of the diseases' effect on agricultural stability. In order to avoid future problems, people stocked up on meat they were confident was safe.

Wise said a second big issue is tourists being kept away because of their inadvertent spread of the disease.

He said a lot of countryside is closed off to the public because tourists go walking across it and pick up the disease on their shoes or car tires.

"Lots of people who would normally come down here for holidays for camping and walking are staying away," Wise said.

He said when he drives to work he crosses over disinfectant road mats that obliterate any sign of the disease from his tires.

Farmers whose herds have not been hit with foot-and-mouth disease are worried they could be, but those who have are sure the situation can only improve, Wise said.

"I'm very optimistic about it and I know a lot of farmers around this area and they're quite optimistic," he said.

"Once it's tackled and once it's under control, things will resort to normal, although getting back to normal will be quite difficult for the farmers who have had generations of work destroyed," Wise said.

A common way to destroy remnants of both mad cow disease and food-and-mouth disease is by burning the carcasses of dead animals. This is what has happened in both Vermont and England.

Wise said the nearest fire to him in Devon was 20 to 25 miles away.

Jason Hosford, 20, a sophomore from Easton, Pa., majoring in broadcast journalism, said he loves meat and eats it all the time, but really is not concerned about these two diseases at all.

"Our government is doing a good job of keeping it out of the country," he said.

Hosford said he is sure others feel the same. He said some Americans have surely cut back on eating beef and pork, but overall, the effect of the diseases is minimal in the United States.

Comparing Diseases

	Foot-and-Mouth	Mad Cow
What is it?	physical debilitation of livestock; causes severe losses in milk production	fatal brain disease; deteriorates physical actions
Can humans catch it?	not likely	yes
How common in humans?	very rare	only 80 or so cases reported in Britain
Can the infected humans or animals recover?	yes	no
How do humans catch it?	through eating infected meat	through eating infected meat
Found in the U.S.?	not since 1929	the Vermont livestock have a variant disease

Northern Ireland loses battle in foot-and-mouth outbreaks

Associated Press

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Only days ago, Northern Ireland had reason to hope it would escape an epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease like that ravaging the farms of mainland Britain.

On Monday, hopes dimmed and pyres flared, as soldiers and agricultural officials slaughtered and incinerated animals to try to prevent the spread of the highly contagious livestock ailment.

Until Friday, only one case of foot-and-mouth had been confirmed in the province, and it was six weeks ago. Then came two outbreaks in three days — the latest of them confirmed Sunday.

The new cases were scattered: one near the border with the Republic of Ireland, the second on the northern seacoast. Another two suspected sites of infection were being investigated.

The province's agriculture minister, Brid Rodgers, announced a complete ban on livestock movement Monday, and he urged farmers to take drastic steps to keep unnecessary vehicles and visitors off their land.

"I have rescinded all licenses to move animals, and I am saying to farmers: sealing off your farms is not putting a (disinfectant) mat at the gate," she said.

The province's government leaders were holding an emergency meeting to discuss the crisis, even though Easter Monday was a holiday.

While harmless to humans, foot-and-mouth usually spells economic disaster for farmers in countries that export agricultural products.

Vaccination can be used to contain the spread of the virus, but because animals then carry antibodies, it results in the loss of disease-free status that is crucial to trade.

Britain has been trying, so far unsuccessfully, to eradicate the disease through mass slaughter of animals that might have been exposed to infection.

Northern Ireland has watched with dread foot-and-mouth's inexorable march on the mainland — from the first case in late February to more than 1,300 separate outbreaks now.

Britain's chief scientist, Professor David King, met farmers Monday to discuss his proposal of vaccinating half a million cattle in two hard-hit areas to protect them from the disease when they emerge from their winter sheds.

King said he was not advocating a wider use of vaccination, and the government said no decision had been made.

Word of Northern Ireland's n... cases — which came two we... after a European Union exp... ban had been lifted for most... the province — sent a shudder... apprehension through the nei... boring Republic of Irela... whose economy is heav... dependent on agriculture. U... now, it has had only one ca... discovered three weeks ago i... border area.

Ireland's agriculture minis... Joe Walsh, called for more st... gent border controls to fight ... disease.

"This fresh outbreak means t... there is a geographic spread ... the disease ... it is actually ra... pant," he said. "We have ... remain vigilant, to have e... farmer to have their farm a... fortress."

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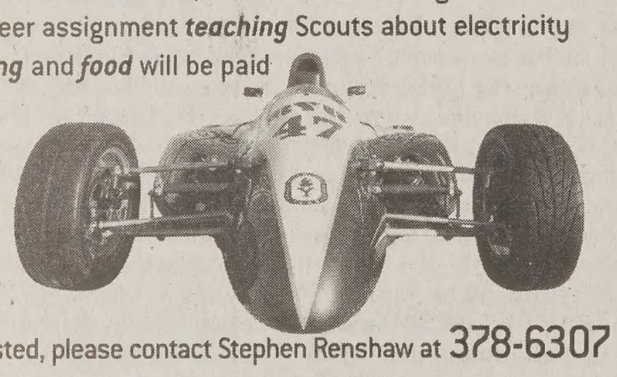

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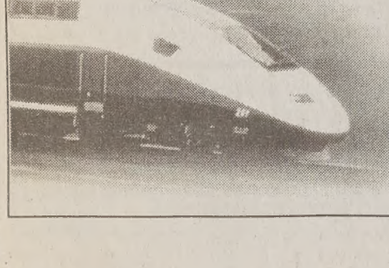

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